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SUBJECT: MFA REFUSAL TO AUTHENTICATE US CONSOFF'S NOTARI-
ZATION.

1. MFA CONSULAR ADMINISTRATION RECENTLY REFUSED TO AUTHEN-
TICATE VYZOV NOTARIZED BY EMBASSY. VYZOV WAS PREPARED BY
AMERICAN WOMAN WORKING FOR AMERICAN COMPANY IN USSR WHO
RECENTLY MARRIED SOVIET CITIZEN. SINCE MFA HERETOFORE
ROUTINELY AUTHENTICATED VYZOV'S NOTARIZED BY EMBASSY,
CONSOFFS RAISED MATTER MARCH 1 WITH MFA CONSULAR ADMINIS-
TRATION COUNSELOR N.M. BULAVIN AND FIRST SECRETARY S.
KRUGLOV.

2. MFA OFFICIALS STATED THAT IT WAS NOW THEIR PREFERENCE
TO FOLLOW "NORMAL" EMIGRATION PROCEDURES, WHICH INCLUDE
NOTARIZATION OF THE VYZOV IN US LOCALITY OF THE SPONSOR
FOLLOWED BY AUTHENTICATIONS OF SECRETARY OF STATE AND
SOVIET EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. CONSOFFS EXPLAINED THAT IN
SUCH CASES THE AMERICAN EMBASSY ACTS AS THE NOTARIZING
AUTHORITY AND THAT IT DOES NOT MAKE SENSE FOR AMERICAN
POSTED IN USSR TO HAVE TO GO THROUGH EXPENSE OF TRIP TO
THE US TO OBTAIN LOCAL NOTARIZATION OF VYZOV. MFA AGREED
TO LOOK INTO THE MATTER.

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3. DEPARTMENT REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER THERE IS RECI-
PROCAL OBLIGATION OF MFA AND DEPARTMENT TO AUTHENTICATE
SIGNATURES OF CONSULAR OFFICERS OF SENDING SIDE. PLEASE
ADVISE EMBASSY ALSO HOW TO PROCEED ON THIS ISSUE
SHOULD MFA MAINTAIN ITS POSITION ON REFUSAL TO AUTHENTI-
CATE CONSOFFS' SIGNATURES. TOON

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